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EO 11652: GDS
TAGS: FAO, EAGR
SUBJ: COMMITTEE ON COMMODITY PROBLEMS

1. LEEKS AND DUTIA INFORMED EMBOFF THAT BRITO (BRAZIL) HAD WITHDRAWN HIS CANDIDACY FOR CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE ON COMMODITY PROBLEMS (CCP), BRITO WITHDREW IN FACE OF AFRICAN DESIRE FOR CHAIRMANSHIP AND PUSH BY FALDINI OF ARGENTINA FOR CHAIRMANSHIP.

2. ACCORDING TO PAST PRACTICE, THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF CCP ROTATES BETWEEN DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND THEN AMONG REGIONS IN THESE TWO GROUPS. ACCORDINGLY NEXT CHAIRMAN SHOULD BE FROM DEVELOPING COUNTRY. FURTHER, SINCE AS ASIAN AND LATIN HAVE RECENTLY HELD POST, IT WOULD SEEM TO BE AFRICAN TURN.

3. AFRICAN CANDIDATE IS A SENEGALESE FROM DAKAR, MEDOUNE DIENE, AN AGRICULTURAL ENGINEER, AND DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR FOR AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION WITH THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE. EMBASSY COMMENTS ON HIS QUALIFICATIONS WOULD BE APPRECIATED.

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4. FALDINI IS ARGENTINE ALTERNATE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE IN ROME TO FAO AND PERENNIAL CHAIRMANSHIP SEEKER WHO NEEDS NO INTRODUCTION. FALDINI HAS SOUGHT USG SUPPORT.

5. COMMENT: THIS IS A MATTER FOR GROUP OF 77 TO

THRASH OUT AND USG SHOULD REMAIN NEUTRAL. SINCE
FALDINI APPEARS TO HAVE LESS SUPPORT, STRICT NEU-
TRALITY WOULD SEEM TO AID SENEGALESE CANDIDATE.
WITHOUT KNOWING SENEGALESE BUT KNOWING FALDINI, THIS
TILT WOULD SEEM TO BE IN OUR INTEREST IN MAINTAINING
CCP AS EFFECTIVE FAO COMMITTEE. ELECTION OF SENEGAL-
ESE WOULD ALSO WEAKEN AFRICAN CLAIMS TO CHAIRMAN-
SHIPS OF OTHER COMMITTEES IN FAO AND WORLD FOOD
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